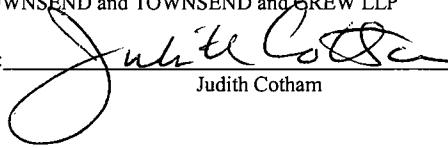


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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed November 13, 2007, please enter the following amendments and remarks. A petition for a two-month extension of time accompanies this Amendment. As April 13, 2008 occurred on a Sunday, this response is being timely filed on the next business day.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

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